Amendment to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and the replaces listings of claims in the application

1. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

Formatting a request message including a group identifier and a request for client information;

transmitting the request message to a plurality of client devices over a first communication channel; and

receiving a response to the request message from a plurality of client devices identified by the group identifier over a second communication channel.

2. (original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

dynamically grouping two or more of said clients into a second group having a second group identifier.

3. (original) The method of claim 2, further comprising:

transmitting the second group identifier to the plurality of client devices; and

storing the second group identifier at each client in the second group.

4. (original) The method of claim 2, further comprising:

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formatting a second request message including the
second group identifier and a request.

5. (original) The method of claim 4, wherein transmitting the host
the request message comprises broadcasting the request message.

6. (original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

transmitting an acknowledgement signal over the second
communication channel to the clients that transmitted the
response.

7. (Currently Amended)   A method comprising:

storing a group identifier identifying membership in a
group of two or more clients;

receiving a request message from a host over a first
communication channel, said request message including the group
identifier and a request for client profile information, the
client profile information associated with the group identifier;

compiling client profile information for responding to the
request message; and

transmitting a response to the request message to the host
over a second communication channel, wherein transmitting the
response to the request message comprises transmitting client
profile data.

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8. (original) The method of claim 7, further comprising

waiting for an acknowledgement signal from the host over

the second communication channel; and

retransmitting the response over the second communication

channel in response to not receiving the acknowledgement signal received

within a time period.

9. (original) The method of claim 7, wherein the request

message comprises a request for client profile information.

10. (original) The method of claim 9, further comprising

compiling the requested client profile information,

wherein transmitting the response comprises transmitting

the requested client profile information.

11. (Currently Amended) An article comprising a machine-

readable medium which stores machine-executable instructions,

the instructions causing a machine to:

format a request message including a group identifier and a

request;

transmit the request message to a plurality of client

devices over a first communication channel; and

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receive a response to the request message from a plurality

of client devices identified by the group identifier over a

second communication channel

12. (original) The article of claim 11, further comprising

instructions causing the machine to:

dynamically group two or more of said clients into a second

group having a second group identifier.

13. (original) The article of claim 12, further comprising

instructions causing the machine to:

transmit the second group identifier to the plurality of

client devices; and

store the second group identifier at each client in the

second group.

14. (original) The article of claim 12, further comprising

instructions causing the machine to:

format a second request message including the second

group identifier and a request.

15. (original) The article of claim 11, wherein the

instructions which cause the machine to:

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transmit the request message comprise instructions

causing the machine to broadcast the request message.

16. (original) The article of claim 11, further comprising instructions causing the machine to

transmit an acknowledgement signal over the second communication channel to the clients that transmitted the response.

17. (Currently Amended) An article comprising a machine-readable medium which stores machine-executable instructions, the instructions causing a machine to:

store a group identifier identifying membership in a group of two or more clients;

receive a request message from a host over a first communication channel, said request message including the group identifier and a request for client profile information, the client profile information associated with the group identifier;

compiling client profile information for responding to the request message; and

transmit a response to the request message to the host over a second communication channel.

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18. (original) The article of claim 17, further comprising

instructions causing the machine to:

wait for an acknowledgement signal from the host over the

second communication channel; and

retransmit the response over the second communication

channel in response to not receiving the acknowledgement signal

within a time period.

19. (original) The article of claim 17, wherein the request

message comprises a request for client profile information.

20. (original) The article of claim 19, further comprising

instructions causing the machine to compile the requested client

profile information,

wherein the response comprises the requested client profile

information.

21. (Original) An system comprising:

a broadcast communication channel;

a back communication channel;

a host including

a message generator operative to generate a request

message comprising a target identifier in a first portion

and a request in a second portion, and

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a transmitter to transmit the request message to a

plurality of clients over the broadcast communication

channel; and

a client including

a memory operative to store client profile information;

a client profile agent to compile profile information in

response to receiving the request message; and

a transmitter to transmit the compiled profile information

to the host over the back communication channel.

22. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 21, wherein

the host further comprises a group generator operative to

generate a group including two or more clients and a

corresponding group identifier, said target identifier

comprising the group identifier, and wherein the profile

information is associated with the group identifier.

23. (original) The system of claim 22, wherein the client

further comprises:

a membership file to store a membership identifier; and

a receiver controller operative to discard the request

message in response to the membership identifier not matching

the group identifier.

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24. (original) The system of claim 21, wherein the broadcast communication channel comprises at least one of a wireless communication link and a transmission line.

25. (original) The system of claim 21, wherein the back communication link comprises a bi-directional communication link.

26. (original) The system of claim 21, wherein the back communication link has a lower bandwidth than the broadcast communication link.

27. (original) A system of claim 21, wherein the broadcast communication channel comprises a wireless communication link and the second communication channel comprise a transmission line.

28. (original) The system of claim 21, wherein the message generator is further operative to include a target date/time in a third portion of the request message, and

wherein the client further comprises a transmission controller operative to transmit the requested profile information before the target date/time.

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29. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the client

information includes information associated with the particular

client device different than client device location information

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